



Vehicle Fluids Mixing Chart

The chart below is provided as a quick reference to show which vehicle fluids can be mixed, and which should be kept separate for recycling. Many vehicle fluids can be recycled, providing that they are not mixed with the wrong type of other fluid. In general, the purer the waste stream, the higher the value to the recycler.

Please be aware that vehicle fluids can become hazardous waste if they are contaminated. The general rule is -- a hazardous waste determination should be done for every type of fluid removed prior to mixing. If you determine that your waste is non-hazardous, you may manage that type of fluid as non-hazardous. (See Appendix A for more information on hazardous waste determinations.)

Fluid Type	Oil	Brake Fluid	Automatic Transmission Fluid	Power Steering Fluid	Hydraulic Fluid	Antifreeze	Gasoline
Oil	Same Fluid	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Brake Fluid*	Yes	Same Fluid	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No
Automatic Transmission Fluid	Yes	Yes	Same Fluid	Yes	Yes	No	No
Power Steering Fluid	Yes	Yes	Yes	Same Fluid	Yes	No	No
Hydraulic Fluid	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Same Fluid	No	No
Antifreeze	No	No	No	No	No	Same Fluid	No
Gasoline	No	No	No	No	No	No	Same Fluid

*Check with your waste hauler if you have a significant amount of silicon-based (DOT 5) brake fluid.

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